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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kohei ABUKAWA  
SILICON NITRIDE MEMBER, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE  
SAME, AND CUTTING TOOL  
Our Ref. Q63680

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 28 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO-1595, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, and Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449.

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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from March 31, 2000, January 22, 2001 and March 7, 2001 based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2000-97741, 2001-13260 and 2001-63490. The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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